

**Lake County Forest Preserves
Finance Committee Minutes – May 7, 2020**

On Thursday, May 7, 2020, pursuant to the Illinois Governor’s Executive Orders 2020-7, 2020-10, 2020-18 and 2020-33, the Finance Committee met via Audio and Video conference and not at the Lake County Forest Preserve District’s General Offices.

1.0 Call to Order - Chair Terry Wilke called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call - Committee Secretary Gragnani call the roll and seven committee members responded: Terry Wilke, Chair; Paul Frank, Vice Chair; Steve Carlson, Michael Danforth, Ann Maine, Mike Rummel, Julie Simpson, John Wasik. Sandy Hart arrived after the roll call. Absent: None

Motion by member Maine, second by member Rummel to suspend the Rules of Order and Operational Procedures to the full extent necessary: a) to allow Committee members to attend this meeting in accordance with the Governor’s Executive Orders 2020-7, 2020-18, and 2020-33, which allows all Committee members to attend this meeting by video or audio means and; b) to allow public comment to be made via audio or video conference. Roll Call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: 7; NAYS: 1 (Danforth)

Also Present:

Angelo Kyle, <i>President</i>	Jim Anderson	Julie Gragnani
Linda Pedersen	Jim Ballowe	Matt Norton, <i>Corporate Counsel</i>
Alex Ty Kovach	Nan Buckardt	Debbie Boness
Mike Tully	John Nelson	Dan Stearns
Steve Neaman	Rebekah Snyder	Ken Jones
Mary Kann	Kim Croke	

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Member Rummel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 Approval of Minutes – Motion by member Wasik, second by member Simpson to approve the minutes of April 6, 2020. Roll Call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: 8; NAYS: 0. (By unanimous consent, leave for previous roll call plus member Danforth)

5.0 Public Comment – Chair Wilke asked if there was anyone attending remotely who wished to provide public comment. There were no responses.

6.0 Addenda to the Agenda – None

7.0 Executive Director Report

- Preserves were very busy over the weekend; Countryside Golf Course opened last Friday, Brae Loch to open tomorrow, and ThunderHawk the following Friday.
- High increases in new users on the website and social media.
- Closures at Fort Sheridan and Buffalo Creek due to the high number of visitors and other closures due to flooding.
- The Delegation of Authority Ordinance has been used to authorize an appraisal of property, and to amend a contract regarding the annual plant sale to allow an online sale.
- The annual audit is in progress; working through the challenges of working remotely.
- Staff in conversations with CLC regarding their culinary program and feasibility of using the Brae Loch clubhouse.
- Forest Preserve staff are all fully engaged in working remotely.
- Positive comments have outweighed negative comments regarding closures.

Member Rummel noted that comments he received regarding Fort Sheridan have been positive. Member Maine has observed more trash on trails and trails are showing wear; we will need to factor in related costs to bring trails back up to standards. Staff responded to questions and a brief discussion ensued.

Member Sandy Hart joined the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

8.0 Correspondence – None

9.0 Revenue Facilities

9.1 Recommend approval of Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Contract with Metropolitan Industries, Inc., for Lift Station Grinder Pump Repair at Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve, increasing the Contract Amount by \$2,800.00 – Mr. Kovach summarized the details of the change order. Motion by member Maine, second by member Rummel to approve the recommendation. Chair Wilke asked for public comment and there was no response. With no questions or comments, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: 9, NAYS: 0. The recommendation was forwarded to the full Board for approval.

10.0 Planning Committee

10.1 Recommend approval of Resolution Approving a Property Access Agreement with North Shore Water Reclamation District allowing access to its property for Ecological Management of the Waukegan Dunes Area, Illinois Natural Area Inventory Site, as part of the Chiwaukee Prairie Illinois Beach Lake Plain restoration project - Motion by member Wasik, second by member Danforth to approve the recommendation. Mr. Kovach summarized the details of the agreement showing the project site on a map. He explained that NSWRD wants to be indemnified for any accidents that could happen and staff believes it can be mitigated by walking the property in advance with the Contractors to look for any issues. Natural Resource Director Jim Anderson provided further information; he and Mr. Kovach responded to questions. Chair Wilke asked for public comment and there was no response. With no questions or comments, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: 9, NAYS: 0. (By unanimous consent, leave for previous roll call.) The recommendation was forwarded to the full Board for approval.

11.0 Old Business - None

12.0 New Business - None

13.0 Closed Session - None

14.0 Next Scheduled Meetings: June 1, 2020 Joint Meeting with Operations and Planning Committees
June 4, 2020

15.0 Adjournment – With no further business, Chair Wilke declared the meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

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APPROVED:	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>		<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
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Terry Wilke, Chair			Ann B. Maine		
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Paul Frank, Vice Chair			S. Michael Rummel		
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Steve Carlson			Julie Simpson		
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Michael Danforth			John Wasik		
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Sandy Hart					

Secretary's Note: Pursuant to the Illinois Governor's Executive Orders 2020-7, 2020-33, and 2020-39, the Finance Committee met via audio and video conference on Monday, June 1, 2020. These Minutes were approved by a Roll Call vote at that meeting:

AYES: 7 (Wilke, Frank, Hart, Maine, Rummel, Simpson, Wasik)

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2 (Carlson, Danforth)

Julie Czajkowski

 Committee Secretary